

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING SESSION – OFFICE OF THE DELTA WATERMASTER  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**ITEM 4**

**SUBJECT**

QUARTERLY REPORT ON CURRENT DELTA SCIENCE ISSUES.

**DISCUSSION**

Priority efforts for the Delta Science Program (DSP) in 2018 include: updating the Delta Science Plan, pursuing funding to support the DSP's Critical Science efforts including the implementation of the Science Action Agenda, continuing to provide leadership on adaptive management within the Delta, developing an integrated modeling initiative, providing peer review and synthesis, and sponsoring the 2018 Bay Delta Science Conference.

The Delta Science Plan establishes the vision, "One Delta, One Science", and the update of the Delta Science Plan is the largest of the DSP efforts for 2018. The DSP will engage agency staff, scientists, and the public through multiple outreach efforts, including a public workshop in April. This update is an opportunity to guide Delta science in the coming years. Some key aspects of the Delta Science Plan are: a focus on collaborative science; interest in building the broader science community within the Delta; facilitation of synthesis efforts, and a desire to increase support for science infrastructure. With the growth of multiple science efforts within the Delta, the need for improved collaboration will be a significant component of the updated Delta Science Plan.

**POLICY ISSUE**

None. (Informational Item)

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None. (Informational Item)

**REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT**

None. (Informational Item)

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

None. (Informational Item)